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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Danishefsky *et al.* Examiner: Solola, Taofiq  
Serial No.: 09/874,514 Art Unit: 1626  
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Title: *Synthesis of Epothilones, Intermediates Thereto, Analogues and Uses Thereof*

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Sir:

**OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Applicant submits this Response to the Office Action mailed **April 8, 2003**, in the above-referenced case. The shortened (3 month) statutory period for reply to the Office Action expired on **July 8, 2003**. Therefore, a Petition for Extension of Time is included herewith, extending the time for response for three (3) months, to **October 8, 2003**.

The Office Action rejected all claims (claims 144-160) for obviousness over Bollag *et al.*, and provisionally rejected all claims for double patenting. Applicant respectfully requests entrance of the following Amendments, and consideration of the following Remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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